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SUBJECT: NIGERIAN-AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TRADE
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1. SUMMARY: CU PREPARED COORDINATE OVERALL ARRANGEMENTS
FOR TRADE MISSION INCORPORATING CONTRIBUTIONS FROM
COMMERCE AND AFRICAN-AMERICAN CHAMBER, NEW YORK. GULF AND
MOBIL ALSO EXPRESS TENTATIVE INTEREST IN ASSISTING. END
SUMMARY.

2. CU OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL VISITOR PROGRAMS (CU/IVP)
PREPARED ASSUME OVERALL RESPONSIBILITY FOR COORDINATING
ARRANGEMENTS FOR U.S. VISIT BY NIGERIAN-AMERICAN CHAMBER
OF COMMERCE. CU/IVP WOULD BE ABLE MAKE HOTEL RESERVATIONS,
PROVIDE TWO ESCORT OFFICERS TO ACCOMPANY MISSION THROUGH-
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OUT U.S. ITINERARY, ARRANGE APPROPRIATE TOURIST AND SIGHT-

SEEING ACTIVITIES, AND COORDINATE ARRANGEMENTS FOR LOCAL SCHEDULE IN EACH CITY WITH AFRICAN-AMERICAN CHAMBER, DEPT. OF COMMERCE, ETC. AF WILL ALSO HAVE DIRECT INTEREST IN FOLLOWING AND CONTRIBUTING TO ARRANGEMENTS AS THEY ARE MADE.

3. U.S. EXPOSITIONS STAFF OF COMMERCE PREPARED ARRANGE APPROPRIATE SCHEDULE OF BUSINESS APPOINTMENTS IN EACH CITY VISITED WHEN MISSIONS INTERESTS ARE MADE KNOWN, AND DISTRICT OFFICES WILL BE PREPARED TO BRIEF MISSION MEMBERS AND OTHERWISE ASSIST CU IN ARRANGING OFFICIAL AND BUSINESS CONTACTS IN EACH CITY.

4. AFRICAN-AMERICAN/NIGERIAN-AMERICAN CHAMBER, NEW YORK, ENVISAGES HOLDING LUNCHEON FOR MISSION TO MEET MEMBERS, AND WILL FACILITATE FOLLOW-UP INDIVIDUAL SESSIONS OR SMALL SEMINARS TO PURSUE SPECIFIC INTERESTS WITH PARTICIPATING U.S. BUSINESSES AND BANKS.

5. CU/IVP ESCORTS COULD ASSIST MISSION IN ARRANGING SECRETARIAL SUPPORT IN EACH CITY, PRESUMABLY THROUGH HOTEL OR COMMERCIAL SERVICE, THOUGH WE SEE NO PROSPECT OF USG FUNDING FOR SECRETARIES.

6. USG-PROVED TRANSPORT AT AIRPORTS NOT CONSIDERED FEASIBLE, BUT ESCORTS WOULD BE PRESENT TO ASSIST MISSION MEMBERS IN USE APPROPRIATE PUBLIC TRANSPORT.

7. FYI: DEPT. ADVISED MOBIL AND GULF OF FORTHCOMING MISSION, AND BOTH EXPRESSED TENTATIVE INTEREST IN PARTICIPATING IN SOME WAY, WITH MOBIL INITIALLY INCLINED TOWARD ARRANGING SOME ACTIVITY IN NEW YORK AND GULF IN HOUSTON. DETERMINATION OF PRECISE NATURE OF OIL COMPANIES' POSSIBLE ROLES WILL BE CONTINGENT UPON NATURE OF INFORMATION ON NAMES, FIRMS AND INTERESTS REPRESENTED BY MISSION DEVELOPED BY EMBASSY. DEPTOFF PROMISED TO PROVIDE MORE BACKGROUND AS SOON AS IT BECOMES AVAILABLE. IF, AS REFTEL SUGGESTS, REPRESENTATIVES OF U.S. FIRMS IN LAGOS HAVE INDICATED THEIR COMPANIES WILLING SUPPORT MISSION, IT WOULD OF COURSE BE HELPFUL TO KNOW IF SPECIFIC FIRMS ALREADY PLAN TO BECOME INVOLVED.
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8. AT EMBASSY'S SUGGESTION, DEPT. DEFERRING FURTHER CONTACT WITH NIGERIAN EMBASSY ON MISSION, PENDING CONFIRMATION THAT CHAMBER HAS FORMALLY NOTIFIED FMG OF ITS PLANS. THIS NOTIFICATION WOULD FACILITATE PLANNING OF MISSION'S WASHINGTON SCHEDULE IF IT IS TO INCORPORATE ACTIVITIES SPONSORED BY NIGERIAN EMBASSY.

9. IF MISSION ORGANIZERS AGREE TO USG ROLE AS
DESCRIBED ABOVE, AFRICAN-AMERICAN CHAMBER WOULD THEN
RESPOND TO JULY 5 LETTER WITH OFFER TO HOST LUNCHEON AND
ARRANGE LIMITED OTHER ACTIVITIES IN NEW YORK WITHIN CON-
TEXT OVERALL SCHEDULE DEVELOPED BY STATE/COMMERCE. ROGERS

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